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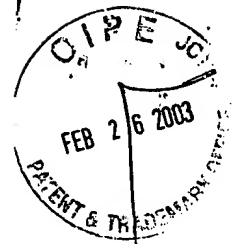Washington, D.C. 20231

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified application is an Amendment

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of December 19, 2002, please amend the above-

identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please enter amended claim 12 which appears below. Please see the Appendix

attached hereto for a version of the claim with markings to show the changes made.

12. (Amended) An image intensifier tube comprising a housing which holds a

photocathode, a screen, and a microchannel plate, wherein a support for the microchannel

plate comprises a one-piece longitudinally extending cylindrical collar in the housing

having longitudinally extending interior and exterior cylindrical surfaces which are

parallel to each other along the entire length of the exterior cylindrical surface, the

interior cylindrical surface but not the exterior cylindrical surface having a cylindrical

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